

## U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY OFFICE,

Washington, <sup>115</sup>4 <sup>2</sup> June, 1884.

My Dear Sir:

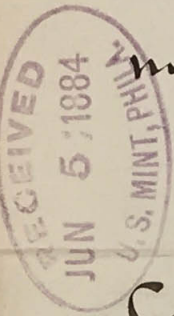
I have seen with great satisfaction the medal to Prof Sylvester Strunk for the Johns Hopkins Univ. -

Being charged (as one of the trustees of the Watson Fund of the National Academy of Sciences) with the procuring of an annual or semi-occasional medal for achievements in Astronomical Science, I would like to know what such a medal would cost. It is to be of gold and of the value of \$100<sup>00</sup>. I presume it ought not to exceed 2 inches in diameter in order to have suitable thickness. On one side will be the head of the testator with a brief legend; on the reverse the award, within some symbolic border.

What would it cost: first, to produce it, supposing that the design were furnished on a large scale, or second, if a plan-cast or say four times the scale of the model be supplied as a guide?

Please help me to get this





matter into good shape -  
Yours very truly

J. E. Hilgard

Col. A. L. Snowden,

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Philadelphia, Pa.

W. S. Foster & Son  
Wash. D.C.  
June 14/84

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of Cost & of Speed  
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The Engineer's  
Letter of June 10/84.

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June 5/84

NARA RG104, Entry 1, Box 131

[Abstract:] Wants estimate of cost &c of Gold Medal of John's Hopkins University...

U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Office,  
Washington,  
June 4, 1884

My dear Sir:

I have seen with great satisfaction the medal to Pry Sylvestin struck for the Johnny Hopkins Univ.

Being charged (as one of the Trustees of the Watson Fund of the National Academy of Sciences) with the procuring of an annual or semi-occasional medal for achievements in Astronomical Science, I would like to know what such a medal would cost. It is to be of gold and of the value of \$100.00. I presume it ought not to exceed 2 inches in diameter in order to have suitable thickness – On one side will be the head of the testator with a brief legend; on the reverse will award, within some symbolic border.

What would it cost: first, to produce it, supposing that the design were furnished on a large scale, or second, if a plaster cast in say four times the scale of the medal be supplied as a guide?

Please help me to get this matter into good shape.

Yours very truly  
J.E. Hilgard

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[Noted on back:]

(See Engraver Banking Letter of June 10, 1884.)  
Rec'd. June 5, 1884